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SUBJECT: SOVIET ARTICLE ON APARTHEID

IN ELIMA

1. GOVERNMENT-SUPPORTED KINSHASA DAILY FEBRUARY 19 ELIMA
CARRIES "POINT OF VIEW OF A SOVIET SCHOLAR, F. TCHERKASSOVA"
ON "WOULD APARTHEID DISAPPEAR BY ITSELF?"

2. ARTICLE CONTENDS THAT PRINCIPAL FACTOR IN RSA
ECONOMIC GROWTH IS "THE FEROCIOUS EXPLOITATION OF THE
AFRICAN POPULATION"LED BY THE MONOPOLIES OF THE
"PRINCIPAL INVESTORS, INCLUDING ENGLAND, THE UNITED
STATES, FRANCE, SWITZERLAND, BELGIUM, LUXEMBOURG.
THESE COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS HOLLAND, PORTUGAL, CANADA,
ITALY AND JAPAN ARE THE PRINCIPAL COMMERCIAL
PARTNERS OF THE RACISTS."

3. AUTHOR CHARGES THAT THERE EXISTS "A COMMUNITY
OF INTERESTS BETWEEN THE ZIONISTS OF ISRAEL AND THE
RACISTS OF PRETORIA." FURTHERMORE, "THE SOLID

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RELATIONS BETWEEN THESE TWO COUNTRIES...ARE

INDISSOLUBLE FROM POINT OF VIEW OF THEIR GEOGRAPHIC

AND STRATEGIC POSITIONS, OF THEIR ANTICOMMUNIST
VIEWS AND OF THE REALITY OF THEIR NATIONAL EXISTENCE."

4. COMMENT: ARTICLE THIRD PRO-SOVIET PIECE TO
APPEAR IN ELIMA IN LESS THAN TWO WEEKS, AN
UNUSUALLY HIGH SOVIET PLACEMENT RECORD. FLURRY
FOLLOWED ELIMA FEBRUARY 6 PUBLICATION OF CRITIQUE
OF ANTONIONI FILM ON CHINA, AS REPORTED IN DETAIL
IN KINSHASA USIS FM-6 OF FEBRUARY 9. ACCORDING
TO RELIABLE SOURCE IN UPPER ECHELON OF ELIMA,
PUBLICATION OF CHINESE ARTICLE CONSIDERED A "MISTAKE"
AND ELIMA APPARENTLY NOW ATONING FOR "REVISIONIST
SOVIET RENEGADE" STATEMENTS IN ARTICLE TAKEN FROM
"RENMIN RIBAO." GENERAL GROUND RULES OF ZAIRE
PRESS PROHIBIT OUTRIGHT NAME CALLING AMONG SUPER-
POWERS, THOUGH TERM "IMPERIALISTS" BANDIED ABOUT
FREELY. MOST LIKELY, LONG CHINESE ARTICLE NOT READ
CAREFULLY BY ELIMA EDITORS, WHO NOW ATTEMPTING TO
EVEN THINGS UP WITH SOVIETS.
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